

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION**

**STAFF SUMMARY REPORT
STAFF: CECILIO FELIX
MEETING DATE: March 12, 2008**

ITEM: 14

SUBJECT: **Cosco Busan Oil Spill – Resolution Authorizing Referral to Attorney General for Judicial Enforcement of November 2007 Oil Spill**

CHRONOLOGY: No prior board actions on this item

DISCUSSION: Staff recommends that the item be postponed to April hearing in order to include additional dischargers in the tentative resolution for Attorney General Referral.

In January, Board staff circulated a tentative resolution authorizing referral of the November 7, 2007 Cosco oil spill to Attorney General for judicial enforcement. Staff only named Regal Stone Limited, the ship owner, in the tentative resolution. Since then, lawsuits claiming damages from multiple parties were filed in state and federal courts. In addition, the US Coast Guard issued Incident Specific Preparedness Review (ISPR) report recently describing in details the incident and the involvement of various parties. Based on evaluation of the lawsuits and the ISPR report, staff plans to revise the tentative resolution to include additional dischargers. We need to notify and provide adequate time for these additional parties and other interested parties to comment on the revised tentative resolution.

We expect to present the revised Tentative Resolution to the Board in April.

RECOMMEN-
DATION: Continue the item to April hearing

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